

The Office of the Governor **Proclamation**

Executive Department State of Idaho State Capitol Boise

WHEREAS, dental hygienists, as licensed oral healthcare professionals, have been actively promoting oral health and preventing oral disease for over 84 years; and

WHEREAS, dental hygienists, as licensed preventative specialists, contribute to the oral health of Idaho residents and provide an essential service contributing to their total health; and

WHEREAS, dental hygienists voluntarily give of their time and effort in providing educational and preventative oral healthcare services to special needs groups such as the elderly, the mentally and physically disabled, the underprivileged and children; and

WHEREAS, these services are essential in the dental office, public health facilities, schools, private organizations and research facilities to provide the best possible oral healthcare for all citizens; and

WHEREAS, the American Dental Hygienists' Association and the Idaho Dental Hygienists' Association have set aside a special time of celebration for recognition of the profession and its members;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, DIRK KEMPTHORNE, Governor of the State of Idaho, do hereby proclaim the month of October 2002, to be

DENTAL HYGIENE MONTH

in Idaho, and I urge all citizens to join me in extending appreciation and commendation to the members of the Dental Hygiene profession and Registered Dental Hygienists for the many valuable services they provide and for their dedication to excellence in oral healthcare.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Idaho at the Capitol in Boise on this first day of August in the year of our Lord two thousand and two and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred twenty-seventh and of the Statehood of Idaho the one hundred thirteenth.

DIRK KEMPTHORNE GOVERNOR

PETE T. CENARRUSA SECRETARY OF STATE